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EXECUTIVE ENCROACHMENT—REPUBLICAN TRICKS.

One by one the powers of the legislative representatives of the people are being usurped or absorbed by the executive. Mr. Cleveland bought just enough Senators outright to carry his scheme of legislation against the silver money of the Constitution. His man Olney followed this up by his claim that the recognition of foreign governments was an executive prerogative. Mr. McKinley goes them both one better by sending Congress "about its business"—to use an expressive phrase which, in this case, means just the reverse of its literal words—and taking upon himself the awful powers of the making and the conduct of war. And now, he follows this up by unblushingly proposing to appropriate to himself the treaty making power, onferred by the Constitution upon the Senate!

A Washington letter contains this:

"War Department officials refuse to make public any of the provisions of the arrangements made by General Bates with the Sultan of Sulu. The document arrived in Washington about six weeks ago. A Cabinet officer says General Bates has secured for the United States the valuable services of the whole royal family of Sulu for the compensation of a good clerk and provided for the immediate mitigation of the condition of the slaves and their ultimate emancipation. It is said that this arrangement is not permanent and does not prevent different treatment of the island in the future. Furthermore, it has not been approved thus far by the President, and may be rejected if it is deemed proper to do so. The arrangement is regarded as a purely military one, fully within the powers of the American commanding officer to conclude, *and so it will not be submitted to the Senate as would be a treaty but will be merely transmitted as a matter of information.*"

What do the people who elected this man president think of his bold and unblushing usurpations? Or are they becoming reconciled to the gradual loss of their liberties?

We see it stated that the McKinley press in this State is actually taunting the loyal Democrats with the crime of carrying North Carolina against this same McKinley in 1896. They even go so far as to attempt to hoodwink the people into forgetfulness of the fact that Mr. Sewall, now a visitor in Eastern Carolina, approved, like the loyal Democrat that he is, of Mr. Bryan's and Chairman Jones's request of the local Democracy to take the step necessary to wrest the State from McKinley and give it to Bryan, and of the local Democracy's faithful compliance therewith.

The wolf in sheep's clothing is admirably exposed and properly denounced by Chairman Simmons's ringing denunciation of the Asheville Gazette, which we reproduce elsewhere. The Gazette poses—so it appears, for it has cut us off since entering upon its disloyal course, after the habit of its kind—as a Democratic journal, and yet opposes the adopted policy of the Democratic party in this State. It is a great pity that the same course of official exposure and rebuke was not administered to the McKinly "Democratic" journals in 1896. If it had been, we should probably not be treated to the present disgusting outbreak by one of them in connection with Mr. Sewall. If we are not mistaken, this latter is the prelude to an assault on the proposition to hold the Democratic primaries for United States Senator just after the sheep have been separated from the goats at the November election in 1900. At that election the McKinly Democrats will turn up with the goats. Let Democrats keep their eyes upon those who have once betrayed them. Thus only will it be possible to carry out Democratic policies and defeat the presidential usurper.

British Loss Over 600.

A London cable says:

The War Office returns show that the total known British losses since the beginning of the war in South Africa reach 597.

Eighteen officers have been killed and 55 wounded, and 76 men killed and 435 wounded. There are 13 unaccounted for.

This total does not include about 100 men included in the latest reports of losses.

General White has telegraphed to the War Office that in the fighting near Ladysmith on Tuesday 13 of the British force were killed and 93 wounded, and that three are missing. The losses are mostly among the Gloucester Regiment. The officer killed were:

First Gloucester—Colonel Wilford.

Second Battery, Field Artillery—Lieutenant Douglass.

Fifty-third Battery, Field Artillery—Major Abby, Lieutenant Perreau, Lieutenant Hobart.

Nineteenth Hussars — Lieutenant Holford.

First Gloucester Regiment—Loss, 7 killed and 52 wounded.

Later British estimates of the Boer losses at Elandslaagte give 300 killed. The British lost 42 killed and 205 wounded. The coolness, bravery and good aim of the Boers can be judged from the fact that out of 18 officers with the half battalion of Gordon Highlanders four were killed and 13 wounded, while the losses among the rank and file were 27 per cent. during less than three hours' fighting. Lieutenant Campbell, of the Gordon Highlanders, has since died from his wounds.

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BRITAIN AND THE POWERS.

A special cablegram from London to the New York Tribune of the 24th says:

"The sailing of the Channel squadron for Gibraltar is now regarded by the keenest observers as an indication that some unexpected attack upon British interests is possible. The magnitude of the preparations for the war, which are out of all proportion to the requirements of the military situation, can be adequately explained on the theory that the Government suspected that some great power would be tempted to seize the opportunity for striking a sudden blow or carrying out a deeply cherished policy.

"The quarter from which an attack of this kind may come is unmistakable. The Russian press has had license to criticise the English policy in South Africa in the most acrid way, and a rumor that Herat may be occupied is already in the air. British commercial interests in Persia are so large that a Russian seizure of the commanding position in Western Afghanistan would be a serious stroke, aimed directly against free trade. That seems a more likely menace than the forcing of the Dardanelles by the Russian Black Sea fleet.

"The movement of a powerful French fleet to the Levant coincides with the circulation of a rumor that the Russian advance may be resumed in Asia while England is preoccupied with the war in South Africa. It also fits in with the explanation of a secret agreement between England and Germany. This was that England, in return for a free hand in South Africa in settling the Transvaal question, had agreed not to make any hostile use of her fleet if the German Emperor were to decide to follow up his visit to Jerusalem with a serious attempt to colonize any portion of Asia Minor and to bring it under German influence.

"A prominent diplomatist whom I consulted remarked that the nature of the Anglo-German agreement was the closest secret in European diplomacy, but that the foregoing statement was the most reasonable explanation which he had heard. Denials may be expected as a matter of course, but I do not hesitate to repeat on high authority that the British Navy will not be used against Germany in the Levant, and that this is the secret understanding which has released England from all risk of German intervention in South Africa."

THE RUMORS NOT CREDITED.

A Washington letter to the Baltimore Sun says:

Little or no credence is given by Secretary Hay to rumors abroad of a possible combination of France, Russia and perhaps Germany against Great Britain. Secretary Hay denies that the American representatives at London, St. Petersburg or Paris have received any intimation worthy of consideration which would lead them to believe definite or serious action is contemplated by European powers during the war in South Africa.

Diplomats who are usually well informed and would probably learn through private sources of any concert of the powers against Great Britain have, it is believed, no information which would warrant them in communicating with their governments on the subject. More significance is thought to be attributed to the extraordinary naval and military activity in Great Britain, the mobilization of army corps and the assembling of vessels than the occasion justifies. American army and naval officers say that such preparations are only natural incidents of a war, however small.

The fact that Great Britain has been on a war footing for two years and prepared for any emergency on short notice has been known to foreign governments, so that the gathering of her vessels and the recommissioning of other ships are regarded as merely a repetition of previous demonstrations she has made to emphasize her complete readiness for any situation.

While the war, from a military standpoint, is looked upon as a small affair, apart from the heavy loss of life, there is no doubt, in the opinion of conservative military men, that lessons will be derived that were not possible in the late conflict between the United States and Spain. For this reason our Government, as stated to the Sun today, has ordered four officers to the Transvaal to observe the operations of the troops and secure such information as may be desirable regarding maneuvers, the value of certain equipment and ordnance, and especially to watch the methods employed by the British to care for their troops in the field and the sick and injured in the hospitals.

HAVE BRITAIN AND AMERICA AN UNDERSTANDING?

A Washington dispatch to the New York Journal says the European powers propose:

To offer mediation in South Africa, with the knowlege that it will be refused.

To interrogate Great Britain as to her ultimate purpose in South Africa. Is it, after the Transvaal and Orange Free State are conquered, to establish a great South African British dominion?

With no satisfactory reply forthcoming the powers will push Great Britain in diplomatic channels and make demonstrations at various vital points.

The Journal continues:

"The collective purpose of the powers is to prevent the establishment of a vast British dominion in South Africa and to diminish Britain's power, prestige and arrogance. The individual purposes are as follows:

"Germany—For absolute control of the Samoan group, and extension of her Chinese concessions, as at Kiao-Chau and Shanghai.

Italy—For San Mun Bay, China, and a foothold in the interior of China.

"Russia—For paramount influence in Northern China, at outlet in the Arabian sea or Persian Gulf, and concessions from Turkey, which will make her influence felt in the Mediterranean.

"France—For the extension of her possessions in East Africa, with a view to encroachments on British possessions there and the regaining of some of her lost prestige in Egypt.

"Great Britain and the United States have an understanding whereby

"The former will secure all her supplies from this country, and the United States will refuse

"To participate in an offer of mediation, or

"In an interrogation as to Great Britain's ultimate intentions in South Africa, or

"In any subsequent joint action of the powers, and will agree

"To preserve the status quo in Samoa;

"To preserve the integrity of the Shanghai concessions, and

"To prevent aggression in any direction or quarters where the United States has material interests at stake."

The Recapture of Elandslaagte.

A Ladysmith cable of last week says:

Realizing that the first attack on Glencoe was part of a general combined attack by three columns and that the situation was still serious so long as the Boers held the railway at Elandslaagte, severing communication between Ladysmith and Glencoe, Gen. Sir George Stewart White resolved to give battle with a view of recapturing Elandslaagte.

It was imperative to dislodge the Boers from Elandslaagte, as it had been learned that the Orange Free State burghers were descending from their positions on the slopes of the Drakenberg from Tintwa and other western passes to co-operate with those already posted at Elandslaagte.

Early Saturday morning the British forces moved out by road and rail. It was computed that there were about 1 200 Boers, with big guns and Maxims covering their front, and occupying a well-chosen position at the base of a hill a little distance south of Elandslaagte. On both flanks were kopjes, or billocks, on which were big guns strongly posted and commanding a wide sweep on all sides, leaving an opening for retreat.

A British armored train, supported by two trainloads of infantry, on approaching the Boer position, was shelled. The British artillery was at once brought up and drove the Boers from their guns, making a series of brilliant dashes into the valley and up the successive heights to get nearer the Boer main position. Thrice were the Boer batteries on the way silenced by British artillery, although the Boers fought with great pluck and determination, returning each time. General White's guns moved, and rained shrapnel and Maxim bullets against the advance.

Soon a tremendous artillery duel was in progress. Two Boer guns, splendidly placed, were stubbornly fought for two hours and a quarter, while mounted Boers tried to come in contact with the British on the left and the right.

Then, at 6:15 p. m., the Devonshire Regiment, half the Gordon Highlanders, half the Manchester Regiment and the Imperial Light Horse advanced on the position and stormed the Boer front. A bayonet charge was sounded as the roar of artillery on both sides suddenly ceased, and the British, with the Devonshires leading, made a superb dash against the main body of the Boers, undaunted though facing a fearful fire.

Twice were they checked by the terrible fusillade. Once the advance quivered for a moment, but then, with ringing, roaring cheers, the whole of the force hurled itself forward like an avalanche and swept over the hills, bayoneting the broken Boer army in all directions.

The Boers were overwhelmed and astounded. They paused, then retreated, then raised the white flag and surrendered. Two or three hundred broke and ran, pursued by the Fifth Lancers, who charged through and through them.

It was dark by this time, but the slaughter must have been great. The Gordon Highlanders say the storming of Dalgai Ridge was mere child's play compared with this attack. The Boer loss must have been heavy. The best estimates place it at over 400 killed.

One of the captured Boers said that if he had known English soldiers could shoot so well he would never have gone to war. Another Boer said he knew he was fighting for a lost cause. Yet a third expressed surprise that he had to shoot at men wearing khaki. He was terribly dejected. He had been told to shoot at men with red coats and white collars, and he saw none. His impression seemed to be that the men who fought against him were not Englishmen.

A heavy rain fell after the battle, making a piteous scene on the field, where many wounded were lying.

The Devonshire Regiment captured three Boer flags. Commandant de Meellion, of Johannesburg, was taken prisoner. A bugler boy of the Fifth Lancers, only 14 years of age, shot three Boers with his pistol. On returning after the fight he was carried shoulder high around the camp.

Everybody testified to the splendid fighting and stubborn bravery of the Boers.

Game in North Carolina.

Says Col. Olds in the Baltimore Sun:

The shooting season in this State will begin November 1. It is safe to say that not in many years have there been more partridges. It was feared by many persons that the extreme cold weather and the deep snow last February would destroy them. The birds are in all that part of the State east of the Blue Ridge and extending to the tier of counties bordering the sounds. From Danville to Greensboro, thence as far west as Morganton and eastward to Goldsboro there are birds in abundance. Granville county offers good sport, and so does Person.

The Legislature, at its last session, enacted a law for a number of counties, requiring hunters to have the written permission of landowners when hunting on the latters' lands. This was aimed at "pot hunters." In part of the State, mainly in the High Point and Hickory sections, Northern sportsmen, to a very large extent, pay the taxes on the lands and have all the privileges. East of Guilford county this is not done. The large landowners make things particularly pleasant for sportsmen, but some of the smaller ones give trouble some times.

Sportsmen from the Baltimore section will find good shooting in Randolph county and also in Moore. It is evident that the plan of securing hunting rights by paying the comparatively trifling taxes on lands will be widely extended. It is not permitted to ship birds out of this State. The law is violated by taking birds away in trunks and in such packages as would not be suspected to contain them. A number of live birds were sent to Virginia last spring.

Newberne remains the centre for the best deer shooting. It is said there are more wild turkeys in the lower Roanoke river country than elsewhere.

Joseph Stockford, Hodgdon, Me., healed a sore running for seventeen years and cured his piles of long standing by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It cures all skin diseases. King Bros.

A Dead Spot in the Sea.

New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"There is a dead spot in the Caribbean Sea," said the first officer of a Brazilian ship, chatting at the Customhouse the other day, "that ought to be called the port of bottles. It lies very nearly midway between Cartagena, in Columbia, and Kingston, Jamaica, and at a guess I should say it was due east of Cape Gracias a Dios.

"It is out of the steamer tracks, and the action of the great currents going one way and another has left a space of stagnant water without any real movement at all. Anything that gets into the dead spot is apt to stay there unless driven out by some big storm, and will simply drift round and round, gathering seagrass and barnacles.

"The last time I saw the place was in 1895, when I was on board a tramp from Rio that had changed its course a little to take up some rubber at a Central American port. While we were passing through we noticed a floating spar, and among a lot of rubbish attached to it was a peculiar-looking round object, bright red in color. We put off a boat to investigate, and it proved to be a patent buoy, which had been set adrift from a Florida lighthouse station in 1893, and was part of a systematic attempt to ascertain the speed and direction of currents. Inside was an official memoranda, which was afterward returned to the Navy Department, with data of when and where found.

"But what is a good deal more interesting is the fact that while we were securing the buoy we discovered three bottles sticking in the drift, all covered with weeds and slime. One was empty and the other two had papers inside The first was a memoranda that the bottle had been dropped from a yacht off the Grand Cayman in, I think, the year 1892, and the other inclosure showed that it came from a ship bound for Montevideo, on what date I forget. In each case it was evidently the whim of some idle passenger, but it was a little odd that we should find the whole collection together. I noticed a lot of other driftwood in the same spot, and I am confident that no end of bottles could be culled from the place. Hundreds are dropped overboard every year, but very few escape being knocked to pieces unless they happen to find their way to some such a still place as I have described."

A Sectional Difference.

Hon. B. F. Grady, in a letter to the Wilson News, writes most interestingly of a difference between Southern public men of the old school and most Northern public men, that possesses a world of interest to students of our history and institutions. Says Mr. Grady:

That is a suggestive paragraph of yours that has been going the rounds, pointing out a difference between the Northerner, Admiral Dewey, and the Southerners, Generals Hampton and Gordon. The latter refuse to permit their admirers to erect for them new dwellings in place of those destroyed by fire, while the former gives directions to the committee in charge of the "Dewey Home Fund" to get everything ready so that he will need only "to walk in and order dinner."

If the history of the Southern people were written it would no doubt record many instances, besides that of George Washington, of devotion to duty and to principle without reward or the hope of reward, or the acceptance of reward when tendered. Nathaniel Macon served as a private soldier three years of the Revolutionary war, refusing to accept pay or promotion. (See Lives of Distinguished North Carolinians p. 85). Richard Caswell held the office of Governor of North Carolina "during the stormy and perilous period of 1776, 1777 and 1778," and refused any compensation for his services." (See Wheeler, 1, 90). And the daring band of North Carolina heroes who assisted in defeating Ferguson's forces at King's Mountain, turning the tide of war, and making Yorktown possible, did it "without pay, rations, or ammunition, or reward, or the hope of reward." (Wheeler, II, 98)

We are all familiar with "Warren's Address to the American Army"—a body of Massachusetts militia commanded by Col. Prescott,—with the Battle of Bunker Hill (which was fought on Breed's Hill), with the story of the "Mohawk Indians" who dumped the East India Company's tea into the sea, with Gov. Gage's pardon of all the Massachusetts rebels except John Hancock and Samuel Adams, &c., &c; but with the unselfish patriotism of our ancestors, with their uncalculating devotion to duty, with Sir Henry Clinton's offer of pardon to all North Carolina rebels except Cornelius Harnett and Robert Howe, with the refusal of Southern ex soldiers of the Revolution to have their names placed on Federal pension rolls, with that stern public sentiment in the South which compelled her leaders, under severe penalties, to obey the moral code of her loftiest ideals, with that respect for the true principles of representative government which forced at least four United States Senators, David Stone, W. H. Haywood, Bedford Brown, and Robert Strange, to resign their commissions, we are not so familiar.

The North has supplied us with school books, magazines, novels, newspapers, &c; with few exceptions the heroes whom we have been invited to emulate were Northerners; the famous exploits, real or fictitious, which stirred our youthful hearts—as Paul Revere's Ride—usually came to us from the North; and today our young men are turning their faces from the "old South" wherein honor was more precious than gold, and are exalting a "new South" wherein thrift promises to be one of the chief divinities.

Shall this state of things continue? Shall we permit our children to be taught to cast away the ideals of their fathers, and accept the imported gospel of selfishness? Let us hope for something better. Let us hope that the time is not far off when Southern school books, Southern periodicals, and Southern newspapers shall gather up and present to our people the scattered evidences of the courage, the patriotism, the exalted sense of duty, the fidelity to trusts, and the reverence for truth and justice which distinguished the "old South"; and when the proud consciousness of a noble ancestry shall be our incentive to a warmer love for our Southland and the cultivation of the highest civic and moral virtues.

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"If an average height of all the full-grown males in the country were taken, it would be found to be not less than 6 feet 2 inches, and probably more. Their physique, notwithstanding their comparatively idle mode of living, is magnificently developed.

"The action of the almost abnormally developed muscles of the arms and legs, discernible through their closely-fitting garments, gives an idea of the remarkable powers of endurance which the Boers have displayed on many occasions when engaged in native and other campaigns. They can withstand almost any amount of physical pain and discomfort, and can live a remarkably long time on the smallest quantity of food.

"It is a matter of common knowledge that a Boer can subsist on a 5-pound slice of 'biltong'—beef that has been dried in the sun until it is almost as hard as a stone—for 10 to 15 days without suffering any pangs of hunger. In time of war 'biltong' is the principal item in the army rations, and in peace, when he is following his flocks, it is also the Boer shepherd's chief article of diet."

Was Sorry He Spoke.

Atlanta Constitution.

It was an open "experience" meeting, and Brother Jones arose and said:

"Bretherin', I'm the man that put water in the milk!"

"An' I'm the man that drawed the water fer him," said Brother Brown, penitently.

"An' I'm the woman that milked the cow, and knowed all about it," sobbed Sister Jones.

"An' here's the man," said a loud voice from the rear, "that sold 'em the cow an' hain't got paid for it yit!"

Then Brother Jones was sorry he had spoken, and was overheard to mutter, as he reached for his hat, "Never did believe in these experience meetin's, nohow!"

Sheriff Burns Gets Over $3,000 Taxes.

The W. & W. R. R. Co., through its Agent here, Capt. R. A. Southerland, Friday paid over to Sheriff Geo. A. Burns $3,126.68, amount of taxes due Cumberland county for 1899. This is probably the largest payment ever made by one concern for taxes in the history of Cumberland county.

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Good for Fayetteville

The salient points in the following letter to the Manufacturers' Record, Baltimore, were given by that paper to the Associated Press and telegraphed all over the United States a day in advance of the publication of the letter itself. This was a valuable advertisement of our city, its advantages and progress.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Oct'r 10.

Mr. W. M. Morgan, president, and Mr. Percy Gray, secretary, of the Cape Fear Power Co., are making arrangements to transmit electric-power to this place in the spring from their plant, twenty-five miles away. The various mills and industries located here agreed to take 2,000 horse-power from this source. An understanding was also had with our town authorities to light our city on very favorable terms with arc and incandescent lights.

There have been built here recently several large cotton mills and a silk mill. These were equipped with the latest improved steam powers, but owing to the wonderful advantages electricity possesses over either water or steam, these new steam fittings are to be virtually discarded and electrical power substituted. This will be furnished at only $15 per horse-power per year. A fair estimate of the cost of steam-power is $18 to $25 per horse-power in this section. While only about 2000 horse-power seems to be necessary here at present, it is safe to predict that within a very short time over double this amount will be employed here. Ample precautions have been taken by the Cape Fear Power Co. to prevent interceptions by floods, and the storage or lake system will be adopted to provide for any period of low wates. This latter will be of advantage to the navigation of our river, giving us water when it will be most needed by our boats. The advantage to Fayetteville of this new enterprise cannot be overestimated. This, added to our other attractions, will soon bring our city to the front rank of prosperous, up-to date places. Our water transportation gives us a great advantage in the matter of freight rates. A new railroad is heading for this place from attractive Southern Pines. They will open up to a connection with another great railway system, the Seaboard Air Line. Eight miles are already graded and partly crosstied. Fayetteville will one day be a great railroad center.

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Fayetteville will give a warm welcome to capital seeking profitable investment among us. The new silk mill has started to work. The company contemplates building another mill here very soon. Vice-President Hobart and John Wanamaker are said to be stockholders in this mill.

F. R. ROSE.

The Gold Supply.

A goldbug contemporary, discussing the effect of the Transvaal war upon the gold supply, says:

"There is much discussion of the failure of the customary annual addition to the world's gold supply by reason of the Transvaal war, but experts conclude that the shortage may not be very large after all. The average gold product of the world for the four years 1895-6-7-8 was $231,000,000. The estimated production of the present year, without the war, according to our Mint, is $320,000,000, so that, deducting $75,000,000 for the suspension of mining in the Transvaal on account of the war, there will be still left for the present year a production of $245,000,000, or $14,000,000 more than the average of the past four years. But up to the end of September the Transvaal had already produced $71,000,000, against $78,000 000 in the 12 months of 1898. The deficit for 1899, accordingly, may well turn out to be a little under $7,000,000, the comparison being made with the figures of 1898. There will, however, be an almost total cessation of shipment, if not of production, of gold from the Transvaal and Rhodesia for a few months. General Buller will hardly begin his advance on Pretoria, it is believed, before the first of December, and some months may be required to fight his way to the Boer capital. It will, therefore, be impossible with the present outlook to renew the production and shipments of gold before the end of April. An interruption of the supply for only six months is accordingly to be expected. But, as already shown, with an entire year's production of the Transvaal cut off, the world's product will still be over $10,000,000 more than the average for the four years ended with 1898."

It is noticeable that in this, as in all the discussions of the subject by the gold press, the assumption is manifest that a diminished supply of gold is something to be regretted. That is where our monometallist friends give themselves away. If the diminution of the world's supply of money by the demonetization of silver was a good thing, then a still further diminution by the restriction of the gold output would only add to the blessing. If not, why not?

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Death of Mr. Hyman.

Mr. Wm. P. B. Hyman died on the 18th inst., at New Orleans, aged 27. He was a nephew of Mrs. James Strange of this city.

Mr. Hyman was well known and had many friends here, his last visit being in July, when he looked the picture of health. The knowledge of his death only reached here to-day and caused great surprise and sorrow.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters;' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cts. a bottle at B. E. Sedberry & Son's drug store.

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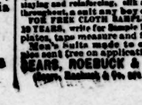
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"Where the gold Democrats are numerically weak they will profess to accept the platform, but will oppose every plan that is calculated to bring success to the platform."
—William J. Bryan to National Committeeman C. S. Thomas, of Colorado.

From Tuesday's Daily.

PROGRESS OF THE WAR IN AFRICA.

Our dispatches yesterday afternoon brought news of the beginning of the Boers' assault on Ladysmith, where the British army is concentrated. After the battle of Talana Hill, where Symons gained his brilliant victory and also received his death wound, the British commander-in-chief, General Sir George Stewart White, withdrew Symons's army, then under command of General Yule, from the Dundee, Glencoe and Talana Hill country, and caused them to join his own reserve force at Ladysmith, some forty miles south. The Boers sought to establish themselves at Elandslaaghte, a station on the railway between Glencoe and Ladysmith, with a view to intercepting Yule and preventing his junction with White. The latter, however, taking the offensive, defeated the Boers at Elandslaaghte, thus opening the way for Yule, whose army, footsore after a forced march, reached Ladysmith the latter part of the week just past.

Meanwhile the Boer Commander-in-chief, General Joubert, has been concentrating all his available forces upon Ladysmith, and yesterday morning's dispatches to the New York Herald announced their arrival before that post 30,000 strong. Against this formidable array, the British commander is said to have an army of 20,000 of all arms, a force sufficient if the Boers were Spaniards or uncivilized folk, but inadequate for offensive operations in a large way against such formidable fighters as they. It is probable, therefore, that the British will confine themselves to the defense of Ladysmith until the arrival of General Buller, with the powerful reinforcements which are following him. Buller was expected to reach Cape Town yesterday. The London war office said, up to our going to press yesterday, that he had not then arrived. A Paris cable, however, declared that he had arrived and had been immediately assassinated—which is probably not true.

That was the situation up to this morning, so far as we know, the incidents of the opening of the battle, as reported, being unimportant. Our afternoon dispatches will no doubt bring us news of a great battle during yesterday, if, indeed, the morning telegrams have not anticipated them.

General White is an old Indian campaigner of many years' experience, and it is probable that he will display great tactical skill in delivering those counterstrokes upon an investing force which are the chief reliance of bold defenders. On the other hand, the Boer commander is a veteran of a high degree of skill, and his troops are not only renowned marksmen and well equipped, but feel themselves thrice armed with their cause.

The outcome will be watched with absorbing interest by the whole world, as well as by military students.

From Wednesday's Daily.

THE BRITISH REVERSE.

After yesterday's editorial on the "Progress of the War in South Africa" had been printed and just before our going to press on the "outside" of that issue, the press dispatches, delayed by the storm, brought us news of the "terrible defeat of the British" at the battle of Ladysmith. The inference was natural that the news was the summing up of the result of the battle which our Monday's dispatches, under date of that day (October 30) from Ladysmith, said had then begun. It will be remembered also that the dispatches of the same date (October 30) reported a rumor received in Berlin from Holland that the whole British army at Ladysmith had surrendered and were prisoners of war.

It is possible now, with receipt of more detailed information, to understand just what happened. It seems that General White, pursuing his tactics of counterstrokes from his line of defense, had on Sunday night or early Monday sent the Irish Fusileers and the Gloucester regiment with seven pieces of artillery to the left, to clear that flank by a bold attack such as Symons had made successfully at Talana Hill. The Boers, however, had profited by their experience, and simply enveloped this force with an overwhelming force and "took them in," as used to be said in our Confederate war.

General White is, therefore, nearly 2,000 men worse off than on Monday, and his army has lost that much of prestige, which has passed to the Boers. The progress of the investment of Ladysmith will appear in our telegraphic and news columns.

The Boers are proving that they are good strategists as well as brave fighters. It is sad to reflect how inferior their ultimate resources are to their patriotism and courage.

They Judge By Their Own Standard.

The McKinleyites (Republican and "Democratic"), failing to pierce Mr. Bryan's strong armor of dignity and uprightness with any other shaft, have resorted anew to the old canard about his receiving pay for his speeches. Mr. Bryan has, in the main, passed this by contemptuously, the circulators of the story being either unknown or irresponsible scribblers. He has been quick to act, however, the moment a responsible man was connected with the slander. A special dispatch to the Philadelphia Record, of the 26th of October, from Humboldt, Nebraska, says this:

Just before his speech at Falls City to-day William J. Bryan was shown Senator Hanna's statement that Mr. McLean propably paid him for coming to Ohio, and was asked if it were true.

"No," said Mr. Bryan: "I paid my fare to Kentucky and back from Ohio, and I did not receive, nor will I receive, a cent for speeches, or anything, in either State from anybody. Mr. Hanna has become so accustomed to measuring everything by money that he cannot conceive of anyone doing anything except for cash in hand."

Here is s specimen of the way the country press aids Hanna's purpose. Says one of those papers in North Carolina:

"Why should any one take exception to the fact, as announced, that Colonel Bryan demanded payment in advance for the speech he made the other day at Canton, Ohio. It has not been claimed that there was objection to paying the money demanded; only that it should not have been exacted in advance. The inference is that kickers complain because people who heard the speech had to put up their money without knowing what they were going to get. But this is a false premise, as no one has ever claimed, since Bryan's advance payment speechmaking rear-end platform tour throughout the Middle West in 1896, that when Bryan was scheduled for a speech the audience did not know just what was coming."

The British Commander.

Gen. Sir Redvers Buller who has been appointed to the command of all the British troops in South Africa is expected to arrive at Cape Town to-day.

He sailed from Southampton, England, on a fast ship October 14. For some time to come he will occupy a large share of the world's attention.

General Buller is a stern man—often he has been called a military despot. But there is no doubt of his ability and courage as a soldier, which has been amply demonstrated in past campaigns. The story of how he won his Victoria cross illustrates his bravery.

It was in the battle against the Zulus on the Inhlodne Mountain, March 28, 1879, that he did the deeds for which the cross is the reward. Finding a soldier who had been isolated from his comrades and hemmed in by the Zulus, Buller, sword and pistol in hand, dashed into the midst of a cloud of blacks and rescued him. Then, once on its becoming necessary to withdraw from a position, it was Buller who covered the retreat with a little band of seven men and Lieutenant Everett. Four of the men were killed. The Lieutenant's horse was struck down, and his rider would have fallen into the hands of the Zulus had he not been rescued by Buller, who took him up behind him on his own horse. Later in the day Buller saved yet a third comrade. Captain D'Arcay, who, having lost his horse, was trying to outrun the advancing Zulus. They had gotten within a hundred feet of him, when Buller galloped back and took him up behind him.

FAMOUS REPROOF OF CAREY.

Anything approaching cowardice calls for Buller's unmeasured scorn. When Lieutenant Carey reported to him the death of the French prince imprial, who had been in Carey's charge, but whom Carey abandoned to his fate at the hands of the Zulus, Buller inquired of the Lieutenant:

"But how comes it, sir, that you are still alive?"

Carey was acquitted by court martial of the charge of cowardice. But he was ostracized by his fellow-officers.

In the Boer war of 1881 General Buller, with no better fortune than Sir Evelyn Wood, arrived on the scene when it was practically all over. He thus had no chance of service.

But it is upon the Egyptian expedition of 1882-84 and the Nile campaign of the two following years that the fame of General Buller principally rests. He took part in the great battle of Tel-el-Kebir. His name was again in the dispatches, and he was decorated for his services. In the Soudan campaign of 1884 he commanded the First Infantry Brigade and was second in command of the expedition. At El Teb and Tamai it was Buller's coolness and skill at a critical moment that did much to save the situation. For distinguished service he was promoted to be major general and later to lieutenant-general.

TRIUMPHS IN NILE CAMPAIGN.

Sir Redvers' triumphs were yet greater in the Nile campaign. He was chief of staff in those days. Wolseley already knew his sterling quality, and so he was sent to Metemmeh after Herbert Stewart had been killed at Gakdul. Buller was to bring the hard pressed column back to Korti, and he did it in triumph. That march across the Bayuda Desert from Gubat will live as a military achievement. In his defeat of the enemy at Abu Klea Wells, February 16 and 17, and in the conduct of the evacuation of Dongola Province, Buller had other opportunities which proved his worth.

General Buller will be 60 years old December 7 next. He comes of Devonshire stock, his father having been a country gentleman in that part of England. Since 1858 he has been in the army.

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CHAIRMAN SIMMONS DELIVERS A STAGGERING BLOW TO A McKINLEY DEMOCRAT.

The chairman of the Johnston county Democratic executive committee has written a letter to Chairman Simmons informing him that McKinley's henchmen in those parts are circulating the Asheville Gazette as a Democratic journal, notwithstanding it is filled with articles opposing the Democratic Constitutional Amendment, and asking to be informed whether or not it is a Democratic journal—in other words, whether it really be what it claims to be. Mr. Simmons recites the facts of an investigation made by the Asheville Citizen and then proceeds with these just and ringing words:

A few years ago the present editor of the Gazette moved to North Carolina, located in Asheville and purchased The Asheville Gazette. The Gazette was then a Democratic paper, and the new editor continued up to the time hereinafter mentioned to publish it as such. During the last campaign it claimed to to be a Democratic paper, and advocated in a general way, Democratic principles, though it manifested throughout the campaign a suspicious leaning to Richmond Pearson, the rich Republican candidate for Congress, as against the Democratic candidate, Mr. Crawford, who is a poor man. During the session of the Legislature of 1899, it supported the policy of our party in that body, and advocated the adoption by it of the Amendment. After the Amendment had passed that body, it advocated its ratification by the people at the polls. It continued thus to advocate the Amendment until a few months ago and about the time Senator Pritchard is reputed to have received a large anti Amendment fund from Mr. Mark Hanna. About that time the editor of The Gazette made a pilgrimage to Marshall, the home of Senator Pritchard and spent the most of the day closely closeted with the Senator. Almost immediately upon his return from this conference to Asheville, the Gazette, without any previous announcement of any change of conviction upon the subject, and without any change either in management or editor, came out in violent and rabid opposition and denunciation of the Amendment. Notwithstanding this sudden and remarkable change of base, made under the circumstances stated, the Gazette continued to assert that it was a Democratic paper. Shocked at such a display of inconsistency and apparent hypocrisy, the Asheville Citizen made an investigation "into the whys and wherefores," and as a result, published the article above quoted. Since then The Citizen has repeated and reiterated openly and above board and without any qualifications, the charge of sale and stipulated duplicitly, and to this charge The Gazette has never made, I am informed, any direct or adequate denial. Before its sale to the Republican "bosses," The Gazette was a local paper, with a very limited circulation, scarcely known beyond the community in which it was published. Suddenly after the sale it begun to circulate largely throughout the State. It appeared regularly on the tables of Republican politicians everywhere. Republican post masters, store-keepers, gaugers, and Deputy Collectors began poking copies of it in people's faces, and to represent it as a "Simon pure" Democratic sheet, edited by a Democrat too conscientious to support the Amendment.

Undoubtedly, any newspaper has a right to change its political affiliations at the will of its editor or owners, but when this is done, honesty, as understood in North Carolina, requires a public announcement of the change. Undoubtedly, a newspaper can, if so disposed, sell its opinions for gold. There is no law against it, but to do so is regarded, at least in North Carolina, as both low and base. There is no sort of doubt that The Asheville Gazette is now being edited under Republican auspices, and that it is not only a Republican paper, seeking in every way possible to serve Republican interest in North Carolina, but that it is the State organ of the Republican party, receiving its daily inspiration from Holton, Pritchard and Pearson. Its pretence of being a Democratic paper is a miserable fraud upon the public, and its attempt to pass itself off as a Democratic paper is a part of a wretched scheme, deliberately concocted by the Republican managers to deceive the people concerning the object and effect of the Amendment. This despicable scheme illustrates perfectly the plan of campaign the Republican leaders and bosses propose to make against the Amendment. The people of North Carolina hate treachery and despise a spy, and I am glad you have, by your inquiries, given me this opportunity to tear away the false colors under which the Gazette is sailing, and expose to the gaze of fair minded men of all parties the miserable sham.

Yours truly,
F. M. SIMMONS,
Chairman.

The Penalty of Concessions to Traitors.

The Atlanta Journal contains the following editorial, though not under the above heading:

The bolt of a large number of the gold Democrats of Maryland is inexplicable and inexcusable.

The conservative element of the party in that state won a decided victory in confining the platform to state issues. No mention whatever is made of the currency question, and there is not one word in the platform which any gold Democrat should not fully endorse. The candidates who have been put on this platform are all good men and the candidate for governor has been consistently a sound money advocate.

And yet so many sound money Democrats have flown the party track that Democratic defeat is seriously threatened. One of the organs of the bolters says that with the Democratic ticket these sound money Democrats have no fault to find. Nor do they take exception to anything contained in the platform of their party. But they know the significance of the omission of a financial declaration from that platform. They are aware that the party is not ready to throw free silver overboard and come out for the gold standard. They understand that the silence of the state convention on silver was "in deference to the dominant principles and policies of the Democratic party of the nation." They are aware, and they say it in their address, that "a victory by the Democratic party in Maryland upon a platform ignoring the financial question, and therefore framed in the interest of the Democratic party of the nation, must give encouragement to the advocates of a depreciated currency and a blow to the business interests of the country."

This is a very weak showing. It was well known that any declaration for or against free silver coinage would cause a split in the ranks of the party and the convention wisely made no allusion to that issue. By doing so, it hoped to solidify the Democracy on state issues and thus redeem Maryland from the misrule and corruption of the present Republican administration. And yet it may be that this noble purpose will be defeated by the bull headed conduct of a few impracticables.

A Review of the War.

Review of Reviews)

The war between England and the Transvaal, which for three years the London stock jobbers and the British jingoes have been shrewdly planning and unceasingly provoking, began on October 11. It will hold over into the last year of the nineteenth century, and many will be ready to call it without exception the most discreditable of all the armed struggles that have marked the century from one end to the other.

Neither side is right in resorting to wholesale bloodshed. Both sides must be heavy losers by the combat, no matter what may be the immediate outcome. The people of the Transvaal would say that they are fighting for the maintenance of their independence. But their independence has in reality long depended mainly upon the acquiescence of Great Britain, and has had no other stable basis. The ready and truthful answer is, therefore, that to fight against Great Britain for the independence of the Transvaal is—as a practical proposition—the one sure way to lose independence.

As soon as President Kruger's Government appealed to arms, it became as certain as anything that has not yet happened can well be that President Kruger's little republic would within a year be part of the British Empire. Since the development of the gold mines certain important British interests have coveted the Transvaal, and it has been wholly probable that in the due course of time the inhabitants would become so predominantly people of British origin that a political transfer would come about by natural gravitation so to speak. A statesmanlike policy on the part of President Kruger and the South African Republic would have been to smooth the way for the inevitable transitions of the future, and to take the broad view of the destiny of South Africa.

A TRUMPED-UP QUESTION.

While all this is perfectly true, it makes the behavior of the British Government the more inexcusable. The so-called Transvaal question has been purely trumped up. There has been no real ground of dispute on Great Britain's part with President Kruger's Government. England has demanded a variety of things relating to the internal administration of a country which had the fullest right to order its internal affairs according to its own preferences. Without acknowledging the right of England to raise any questions as to internal taxation, naturalization, school administration and the like, the Transvaal has nevertheless permitted itself to discuss such questions for several years, and has made very considerable concessions for the sake of avoiding, if possible, a conflict with an irresistibly powerful opponent. But Mr. Chamberlain, as British Colonial Secretary, has ingeniously changed his demands from time to time.

Certain large stock market interests also have systematically maintained a propaganda for stirring up the English people. Their theme has been the suffering of British subjects in the gold mining districts through the oppressive conduct of the Boer Government. We have repeatedly discussed these grievances and have pointed out their absurdity and their falsity. The British subjects in the Transvaal are there temporarily, for the most part. They have never had the slightest idea of giving up their British citizenship and becoming naturalized subjects of the Transvaal Republic. Yet England for months had been preparing for war on a most elaborate scale, with no pretext that any one could give except that President Kruger was not willing to make the term of years requisite for naturalization quite as short as Mr. Chamberlain thought it ought to be. Never before has so preposterous an excuse been given for military preparations, so far as we have read history.

WARLIKE PREPARATIONS.

Discussion of this subject seemed to be bringing it to a point where the insistent Chamberlain could not have the face to do anything else except admit that the Boers had yielded enough. But late in September it was suddenly announced that negotiations would be discontinued and that the British Government would, without consulting the Transvaal at all, formulate a set of proposals which it would offer virtually as an ultimatum. At the same time the British Government began to disclose fresh preparations for war in South Africa on a scale that could have only one meaning. Reinforcements were being sent not only from the British army in India, but also from England. A call was issued for enlistments to fill up the regiments, and it was declared that authority would be sought to call out a corps of English reserves. Meanwhile about 15,000 British troops already in South Africa were being massed near the borders of the Transvaal.

There was no attempt made in England to conceal the fact that the new demands that were to be made on the Transvaal Government were being held back in order that England might have the more time in which to complete gigantic preparations for enforcing her demands if they were not accepted. Such conduct toward a great power, of course, could mean nothing but war. But in dealing with so minutely insignificant a power as the Transvaal, England proceeded on the assumption that the show of force, instead of provoking war, might teach the Boers that England meant business, and thus bring submission.

But the Transvaal Government acted precisely as a larger power would have done. The British Government was informed that the massing of troops along the frontier was regarded as a menace, and that if England did not at once cease to send more troops there and did not proceed to withdraw those already so placed, besides giving assurance that the regiments which had been embarked and were on the seas would not be landed in South Africa, the Government of the Transvaal would consider that England, by virtue of those acts, intended war. It was added that the Transvaal would regard a state of war actually existing unless a satisfactory response was received by 5 o'clock on the following day.

The English press almost unanimously pronounced this the most unheard-of aggressiveness and an act of criminal folly. Yet it was in its form a perfectly correct position and not in the least too peremptory. It was just such an answer as any nation, so situated that it could afford to fight for its independence, would certainly have made under like circumstances.

A HYPOTHETICAL PARALLEL.

The aggression had been wholly on England's part. A hypothetical parallel will illustrate the point. We have lately been discussing the matter of a boundary line between our Alaskan coast strip and Canada. Let us suppose that while the negotiations were pending we had, without the least pretense of covering up our plans or intentions, informed the world that we were protracting the negotiations simply in order to give us time to put 500,000 men along the Canadian boundary line, our entire navy being held in readiness to occupy Canadian seaports. Our next step would be to repudiate and break off pending negotiations, and then to formulate a wholly new set of territorial claims, with various other demands upon Canada, as to tariffs and the like. If these claims were not instantly admitted our programme would be to attack Canada all along the line in order to abate or avenge the grievances of our fellow Americans in the Klondike and other districts.

The idea is too absurd to be amplified further. Yet this is exactly the way in which England has been carrying on what she has been pleased to call "negotiations" with the Transvaal. The intention was either to secure the consent of the Transvaal Government to English dictation in matters of internal policy, or else—what was really hoped for by some who are influential in the shaping of British policy—to provoke the Boers into fighting for their rights, which would give England the desired opportunity to take their country. This last thing is what has happened.

Manchester Items.

MANCHESTER, N. C., Oct'r 31, '99.

Most people, Bon Ami included, think that a school teacher has an unlimited amount of unappropriated time at her disposal; so the folks here say that we must continue the dual occupation of teacher and correspondent while sojourning at Manchester. With many thanks to Bon Ami for the privilege and with apologies for taking advantage of it, we send you the following:

Mrs. David Fairley is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Murchison Fairley, in Fayetteville.

Miss Isabel Fairley has gone to Tarboro, where she will spend the winter at the home of her brother, Mr. Alex. Fairley.

Miss Kate Fairly is teaching in Wilmington.

Mrs. Kilgo, of Bennettsville, S. C., spent several days with her niece, Mrs. O. A. Waddell, last week.

Miss Nannie Fairley will return from Red Springs, where she has been visiting, to-day.

Miss Lutie Murchison returned on Saturday from a visit to relatives at Summerville. She will go to Wilmington to-morrow, where she will spend some time with many relatives and friends. Through her influence and help the choir of the Presbyterian church here was recently organized The meetings are held every Friday night at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Clarke.

Mr. Neill Black, the enterprising lumber manufacturer of this place, shipped five car loads of lumber to various points North on last Thursday. Such shipments as this are common occurrences at Manchester.

Mr. John McFarland and sons have recently rebuilt the bridge across the river, formerly known as the McArthur bridge. This will be a great convenience to Mr. McFarland and others going to Fayetteville from his neighborhood.

Rev. J. S. Black will be installed pastor of Flat Branch Church on Thursday, the 9th of November.

There will be communion services at the Church of the Covenant here on next Sunday, preparatory services beginning on Thursday.

Miss Kate Monroe will leave the first of November to take charge of a school near Roslin.

Master Thomas Monroe, whose sight was very defective, has been entered at the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institute at Raleigh.

During the visit here of Mrs. W. J. McDiarmid, of Red Springs, the following party picknicked at McFadyen Spring: Mrs. David Fairley, Mrs. W. J. McDiarmid, Mrs. Fannie Monroe, the Mesdames Bullard, Misses Janie and Mary McDiarmid, Janie Fairley, Kate Monroe, Eloise McGill and Mr. Alex. McDiarmid. We enjoyed the toothsome edibles, sitting around the table(?) in true Oriental fashion; we told and laughed over stories both probable and otherwise, and we drank the water which Dr. McDuffie of your town declares is the best in the State.

As may have been already surmised, the great and erying need at Manchester is for young men. But we women visit, sew, gossip—*of course*—go to church, Sunday School and choir practice and have a gay and festive time generally. We had expected to have a Hallowe'en party tonight, when various charms, tricks and games of fortune were to be tried in protest against the fate now staring us in the face; but the rain has joined the conspiracy of the *Sisters Three* for the overthrow of the plan, so there is nothing left us but to decide "kismet!"

SCOTCH LASSIE.

THE LATE MRS. NIMOCKS.

"A life of beauty lends to all it sees
The beauty of its thought—"

And when the beautiful life ceases to be with us, we ever wish to pay it some small tribute; therefore we desire to place on record something of the virtues and excellence of the late Mrs. R. M. Nimocks, though we realize that no eulogy our pen could indite would be worthy of her—But as

"We bent one day o'er her coffined form,
And our tears fell softly down;
We looked our last on the tender face,
With its smile of peace, its patient grace
And hair like a golden crown—"

we thought of all she had been to every one who had ever known her, and we knew that the close of such a life as hers should not pass unnoticed.

As has already been stated in the Observer, she was the oldest daughter of Mr. John Culbreth and his second wife, Miss Jane Currie. Had she lived till the 31st of October, she would have been forty years of age. One brother and one sister, Mr. John H. Culbreth and Mrs. R. L. Holland, with her husband and six children survive her. All of her life, up to two years ago, was spent in Fayetteville. At that time the family removed to Wilmington, where they resided until about six weeks prior to Mrs. Nimocks's death, when she was brought home with the hope that the tender care and loving ministration of her kindred and friends might at least prolong her life; but God's decrees, His eternal purposes are unchangeable, so on Thursday morning, the 19th of October, the call came to which she was ready to respond. It is a beautiful time to go home—in the morning—ere the heat of the noontime oppresses, or the evening's lengthening shadows portend the coming night. The nurse who attended Mrs. Nimocks during her illness declares this to have been the most beautiful death she had ever witnessed. Her parting words to her children and kindred were peculiarly tender, and her sweet voice was as unfaltering as her sublime trust as she sang "Jesus lover of my soul" and other hymns expressive of a Christian's faith. And so having accomplished her mission here more faithfully and perfectly than most do, her pure spirit forsook its tenement of clay and flew on the wings of the morning to the Refuge 'neath "the shadow of His wing"—

"The gospel of a life like hers
Is more than books or scrolls—"

And now that she has gone home, viewing her character calmly and dispassionately, we can truthfully say: something has gone which this age of superficiality cannot reproduce, for she was more nearly perfect than any woman we have ever known. In addition to rare personal beauty, God loved her and gave her a beautiful soul. There was ever the gentle word in season, the honest counsel in doubt, the unfailing cheerfulness which made her disposition so genially lovable and the truthfulness—what a rare gem it is!—that was as unwavering as her faith. Of her charity the many who knew it by personal contact could testify that it was gracious and unstinted. Yea, the world is better because she was allowed to tarry here a little while. She always stood the test, in every relation of life. Sunshine and shadow, joy and sorrow, trial, temptation and all the attacking forces which are ever assailing us could not shake the firm foundations of her character. The "strong white light" that plays upon high position could discover no flaw in it; neither could the shadow of adverse circumstances obscure the brightness of its beauty, for is not "the peak that is nearest the storm clouds, nearest the stars of light?"

And so we leave her,

"Beautiful in her holy peace as one
Who stands, at evening, when the work is done,
Glorified in the setting of the sun!"

SCOTCH LASSIE.

Red Springs Items.

Red Springs, Oct. 31, 1899.

Rev. C. F. Rankin left yesterday for Richmond, Va., and expects to return with his family Wednesday. Mrs. Rankin spent the summer with her father in Richmond, and we will be glad to have her with us again.

The elegant residences of W. H. Sikes, S. R. Townsend and Dr. Frank McMillan will soon be completed and add a great deal to the appearance of the town.

There are about 250 Seminary students.

Prof. Henry Austin Clappe the distinguished lecturer on Shakespeare made his second visit to the Seminary October 26-27th and delighted and instructed large cultured audiences.

Miss Nora Wright, daughter of Milton Wright who recently moved his family from near Floral College to this town for educational advantages, died last week after three weeks illness.

Several of our citizens are at Lumberton court this week.

Methodist Conference here last Saturday and Sunday, Dr. Moore, presiding elder, present. Rev. E. Pope reports his circuit in fine condition, about 70 additions this year.

The Red Springs Record bought the Red Springs Citizen outfit last week.

At the morning and night services last Sunday the collections for Presbyterian Ladies' Missionary Society 20th Century fund were $20. The women are a noble band of workers.

The papers are mistaken when they say the Fayetteville Juniors played the Senior team here last Friday, as the best players took no part, and some played who never played a match game before—one had played only one game, another had never played before, just taught the signals a few minutes before entering the game. So far as I can learn no undue advantage was taken of the visitors who played a plucky game for youths, and we hope no hard feelings may result from the game, as the two towns are on such friendly terms.

It is highly probable that the cadets will play a match game in Fayetteville during the Fair with a Wilmington team. They will play Lumber Bridge next Saturday. Many of our people will probably attend Fayetteville fair—no fairs at Maxton or Lumberton this year.

LATER.

The storm is somewhat milder now, but the wind was very high last night and much rain fell. Many trees down—it is so rainy I have not gotten out to see what damage is done except the Episcopal church is a perfect wreck—it blew down and tore to pieces.

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W. J. MacDonald—All of My Tobaccos.

Horne's Pharmacy—Look At Our Seven Show Cases.

W. B Malloy—The Dollar in Politics and Business.

The ladies of the Monument Association will serve lunch at the Fair grounds.

Married.

Mr. J. W. Wade, of Clio, South Carolina, and Miss Minnie Farrell at the residence of the groom's father, W. H. H. Wade, in this city Monday by J. T. McKay, J. P. They leave this afternoon for Bennettsville, where they will reside.

Football Game for Fair Week.

Among the numerous attractions here Fair week will be a football game. The Wilmington Star of Friday morning contains the following:

The O. A. N. football team last night had a very satisfactory practice on their grounds and the eleven is rapily getting into great shape for the game with the North Carolina Military Academy of Red Springs at Fayetteville during Fair week.

Marriage Licenses.

For the month just ended Register Deeds Bynum granted 29 marriage licenses; 13 to white and 16 to colored couples. The last of the October licenses granted was to Mr. E. R. Carroll, age 21, of Pearce's Mill, and Miss Della Alnerson, 19, of Black River.

November starts off well, with two licenses granted today, both to whites as follows: Mr. Wiley Carter, age 21, and Miss B. E. Capps, 18, both of 71st; Mr. W. D. Mason, 24, and Miss Alice Hair, 18, both of Gray's Creek. The last named couple were married a few minutes after obtaining the licenses by Squire D. N. McLean.

To Test the Dispensary Law.

A dispensary case from Greensboro was argued in the Supreme Court Saturday morning, and it is said the decision will effect all the dispensaries in the State.

The Raleigh News and Observer of Saturday morning says:

As presented to the court this case involves all possible phases of the dispensary question, and its decision will settle, once for all, the constitutionality of dispensaries for the towns of this State. The main points presented by the case are:

1. Whether the establishment and operation of a dispensary are within the police regulation of a municipality and therefore a necessary expense to be incurred.

In other words, does the dispensary act violate Article VII, section 7, of the State Constitution, which says, "No county, city, town or other municipal corporation shall contract any debt, pledge its faith, or loan its credit, nor shall any tax be levied, or collected by any officers of the same, except for the necessary expenses thereof, unless by a vote of the majority of the qualified voters therein"?

Or is the dispensary an agency of the Legislature, created for the purpose of more perfectly administering its police laws in regulating and controlling the whiskey traffic, and bearing no relation to the municipality in which it is situated other than the co ordinate duty of administering the police laws of the State, and therefore not liable to the city or subject to its control?

2. If the dispensary is not within the police regulations of a municipality, and therefore a necessary expense to be incurred, are the dispensary boards created by act of the Legislature agents and servants of the municipality in the sense that the municipality is liable for their contracts and obligations?

These are the two questions presented to the court, and on their decision hangs the fate of all dispensaries in the towns and cities of North Carolina.

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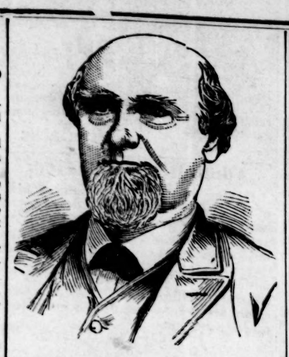

DEATH OF DOCTOR MCDUFFIE.

Passes Quietly Away Tuesday Afternoon

Dr. W. C. McDuffie, who has long been lingering on the threshold of death, passed away at his residence on Russell street at 12:45 o'clock Tuesday.

Dr. McDuffie was one of the most distinguished physicians in the State. He was President of the State Medical Association in 1885, and since the organization of General Parker's brigade of United Confederate Veterans, has been Surgeon on General Parker's staff. He was a man of versatile gifts, which he had cultivated by the reading of the classics. He was an admirable speaker and was often called upon to preside at public meetings. As chairman of a banquet, he was inimitable, his sparkling wit and his clever and apposite quotations from the masters of literature, well becoming his captivating and impressive presence. He was tall, broad shouldered and full bodied, and his massive head nobly crowned his fine figure. He was the soul of good humor, and his heart overflowed with kindness and love for his fellow man.

Dr. McDuffie's place in the community will not be filled. He represented an era that is past. But it will be long before the recollection of his splendid qualities as a man and a citizen, of his genial presence, of his kindly speech and tender heart, passes from among us.

Dr. McDuffie was born in Cumberland county on the 10th day of February, 1829, and was therefore in the 71st year of his age at the time of his death. He was the youngest of five children born to his parents, Archibald and Rebecca G. McDuffie. His brother, Mr. James R. McDuffie, of Johnson, Liberty county, Georgia, is the only surviving member of his family, and was with him at the time of and for several days previous to his death. Of his own family there survive him his two daughters and one son, Mr. E. B. McDuffie, of Philadelphia, Mrs. Nash Bunting, of Wilmington, and Mrs. Wm. Glover, of this city, the latter two having been with the Doctor during the entire period of his illness and the former visiting him from time to time at short intervals. His estimable wife passed to her rest three years ago, and since that time two of his sons, W. C., Jr., and Dr. Archie McDuffie and two of his sisters and one brother have died.

Dr. McDuffie commenced the practice of medicine in Fayetteville 44 years ago. Was President of the State Medical Society, etc., Chairman Board County Commissioners, member Board of City Aldermen, a member of Cumberland Lodge, K. of P., Cross Creek Lodge, I. O. O. F., and St. John's Church. All of the lodges will attend his funeral in a body.

Raeford Readings.

Raeford, N. C., Oct. 23, 1899.

Two literary societies have been organized at Raeford Institute. The Euphemean Literary society with the following officers: President, George R. McNeill, of N. C; Vice President, Robert A. Wright, of Va.; Secretary, Mitchael L. Harris, of N. C.

The Young Ladies' Literary society, the officers of which are Miss Daisy Persons, of Va., President; Miss Augusta McRae, of N. C., Vice President; Miss Dixie McQueen, of N. C., Secretary.

A male glee club, known as the Knickerbocker Glee Club, has been formed. The members are E. S. W. Dameron, M. L. Harris, W. M. McFadyen, G. R. McNeill, D. W. Harris, Frank Culbreth and T. A. Bulla, all of this State.

Drills are held four times each week for both sexes. The girls are drilled in physical culture, with Miss Naomi Eley in charge, and the boys are instructed in military tactics with W. C. O. Varner in charge. Uniforms for both boys and girls have been ordered and will be donned as soon as they arrive.

The revival service which was conducted by the Rev. R. W. Alexander, of this place, and the Rev. Wm. Black, of Monroe, closed the first of the present week. During the meetings nearly forty persons connected themselves with the Presbyterian church here and other churches. A collection was taken for the purpose of building a Presbyterian church here. The subscription amounted to $699 75, and 10,000 feet of framing.

The ladies of this community have organized a Ladies' Missionary society.

RENRAV.

Lumber Bridge Locals.

Miss Dolly Smith, who has been visiting at Mr. M. L. Marley's, accompanied her sister, Miss Flora Smith, to Fayetteville today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McNatt are at Parkton for a two weeks' visit. A reception was given them last week at the home of Mr. Neill McNeill's.

Mrs. D. A. Blue spent Friday night with her little daughter, Nellie, who is here in school.

The Lyceum met Friday night at Capt. A. L. Shaw's. Solos were rendered by Misses Alyce Taylor, Bessie McArthur and Eelna Johnson. Selections were read by Clarence Blue, Martin Ray and Laurin McArthur.

Mr. W. S. Cobb was one of the marshals at the recent State Fair and enjoyed his trip thoroughly.

THE BEST PRESCRIPTION FOR CHILLS

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Terrible Defeat of the British.

Irish Fusileers and Gloucester Regiment, Numbering 43 Officers and 2,000 Men Surrounded and Captured.

Ladysmith, October 31.—The battle at Ladysmith resulted in a terrible defeat of British. Forty-three officers and two thousand men of Irish fusileers and the Gloucester regiment, were surrounded by the Boers and captured. These two noted regiments together with a mountain battery fought heroically against enormous odds. When hemmed in by more than fifteen thousand well armed Boers, the pick of General Joubert's forces, they fought until their ranks were terribly decimated. General White says the men fought nobly and he accepts all blame for their overwhelming defeat.

London, Oct'r 31.—Our officials consider that Gen. White will be able to hold Ladysmith despite his heavy losses. They calculate that eight of the transports with ten thousand men will reach Durban on November 10th. Gen. White has food enough, if besieged, to last two months. He will probably be suspended from command immediately.

General White's Pitiful Avowal—Tremendous Excitement in England.

By cable to the Observer.)

London, October 31.—The manliness of General White's avowal of his fault has awakened the deepest sympathy. An official of the war office said that it was more likely due to the craze of our younger officers to distinguish themselves and obtain mention in the despatches and earn the Victoria cross than the fault of that splendid Indian veteran General White, despite his pitiful avowal. Terrible excitement prevails in Gloucester and Dublin, the home of many of the soldiers captured or killed.

There is fierce dissension in the British cabinet as the result of the crushing defeat at Ladysmith. Secretary of State for war Lansdwne, may resign as the result of the accusation of Gen. Wolsley who charges him with rejecting his urgent advice to the war office authorities to send an army corps to South Africa as far back as July.

In addition to the loss of men six seven pound screw guns were lost, and as the Boer artillery is already strong, the capture of these guns will be a great help to the Boers. Apart from the immediate loss of effectives, it is feared the defeat may have a most depressing effect on the remainder of her Ladysmith force.

It is also feared Boer sympathisers who have not yet taken sides will now public join the Transvaal forces.

BOERS AT KIMBERLEY.

A message from Kimberley says the Boers are building forts around the town and planting Siege guns.

ANOTHER BATTLE IMMINENT.

A Ladysmith dispatch says the Boers were observed this morning advancing towards the town and will probably begin the attack on Ladysmith itself. Nothing additional to above has been received since. It is believed another fight is iminent.

BOERS IN REAR OF ENGLISH.

Durban, Oct'r 31.—News of the disaster at Ladysmith has spread consternation throughout Natal. Every available man was set to work raising entrenchments at Pietmaritzburg against the Boer attack. Boers are reported near Tugela river, ten miles south of Ladysmith, in the rear of the British position.

ANOTHER CORPS ORDERED IN READINESS.

The War office has ordered a second army corps to be in readiness to be called out.

LATER.—The total force captured by the Boers is eighteen hundren and fifty men and forty-two officers.

Naval Guns Replying to Boers.

By cable to the Observer.

Ladysmith, November 1.—The naval brigade having mounted two fifty pound guns, replied hotly to the Boer guns until late last night. The fifty pounders were planted late Monday night ready for action when the Boers cannonading began at daybreak.

BRITISH DISASTER FAR WORSE THAN REPORTED.

London Nov'r 1.—General White cabled the war office to-day details of the defeat Monday, showing that the disaster was far worse than at first reported. He says: "Boulders rolled from the hills and rifle shots stampeded the mules. The stampede spread to the battery mules, which ran off with the whole gun equipment. The greater portion of the small arm ammunition reserve was similarly lost. Our infantry battalions seized a hill and fortified it with sand bags and stone breastworks. At dawn the Boers commenced skirmishing. At half past nine they were strongly reinforced and pushed the attack with great energy. Their fire became very searching and the enemy pressed to short range. The British losses became very numerous. At three in the afternoon our ammunition was practically exhausted and the position was captured with one column of about one thousand. The enemy treated our wounded with great humanity. The loss does not effect the security of Ladysmith."

General White's reports say that only eight companies and the mountain battery surrendered after their ammunition were exhausted. Late in the engagement the naval contingent, under Captain Lambon, of H. M. S. Powerful, came into action and, with extremely accurate fire, silenced the enemy's guns on the hill.

During the artillery duel yesterday the Boers brought up more guns and some were silenced. Their loss must be heavy. The garrison at Ladysmith is described as in good spirits and confident. The troops are full of fight.

POWERFUL WAR MACHINE.

Another fifty pounder is on the way from Durban to Ladysmith. It will throw a forty five pound shell of lyddite six miles. Three thousand troops are due at Cape Town Sunday and will be immediately sent to Ladysmith.

REPORTED LOSS OF TROOPSHIP.

In connection with the rumor of the loss of British troopship "Nubia," the Peninsular Oriental Company has no knowledge of any disaster and doesn't know whence the rumor originated. It seems it started at Berlin Monday, but nothing is known of the matter here.

ENGLISH FEEL BRIGHTER

The gloom was relieved today by the story of the heroic stand of the Fusileers and the Gloucestershire regiments until their cartridges were gone. The details today show a brighter aspect. Full battalions were not engaged and therefore the list of prisoners is materially reduced. The conclusion despatch that relates to the safety of Ladysmith was received with reserve until further news.

ENGLISH CABINET IN SESSION.

The Cabinet was summoned to meet to day.

Cape Town, November 1.—The naval brigade knocked a Boer forty pounder off its platform and silenced the guns on Repworth hill last night. The Boers abandoned the position.

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JESSUP SAYINGS.

JESSUP, N. C., Oct. 28, 1899.

We regret to learn of the illness of Mrs. Benj Tyson.

Mr. J. F. Underwood spent Thursday and Friday visiting his son, Mr. W. J. Underwood.

Mr. N. A. Shields, of Carthage, spent Sunday with relatives.

The 'possum hunters are busy chasing the night travellers. One hunter reports that ten escaped from his pen in one night.

"Peace, sweet peace," but not sweet enough to satisfy the ambitious American and Englishman. When the rainy season is over General Otis will, perhaps, be able to do a little more fighting and again capture Manila. But, oh, how long! How long before the civilized, christianized and powerful nations of the United States and Great Britain will be willing to allow peaceful adjustments in disputes? Will it be when the United States has captured, not only Manila, but all the islands of the Philippines and when England owns all South Africa? Perhaps by the time the necessary captures are made and peace again prevails, Platt, Hanna, McKinley & Co., will have devised some plan to save the obnoxious trust and advance the commercial interest of the dependent little country called the United States. DONTON.

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Wool—washed	15@20
Bacon—hog round per lb	10
" —ham	11½@12½
" —sides—	8a8½
" —shoulders—	8
Oats—32 lbs per bushel	37½@40
Peas—clay	50a60
" —mixed	40
" —white,	65a75
Meal—bolted—46 lbs per bushel	52½@55
" —unbolted—48 lbs per bushel	50@55
Corn—old—56 lbs per bushel	50
Onions—select—per bushel	90
Lard—N. C.	8@9
Tallow	4
Ducks	20@25
Hens—per head	22½@25
Roosters—per head	15 a 20
Turkeys—per lb	none
Guineas	none
Geese	25 a 30
Butter—choice yellow	20 a 25
Honey—strained—per lb	8c
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Looking up Family History.

Mr. H. W. Johnson, of Georgia, a kinsman of Gov. Joseph Johnson, of Alabama, and a lineal descendant of Gilbert Johnson, a brother of Governor Gabriel Johnson, who lived and owned a large estate in this county, prior to the Revolutionary war, is in the city for the purpose of searching the county records with a view to writing the history of the Johnson family.

Gilbert Johnson is referred to in the records as Joseph Gilbert, as he was outlawed after the battle of Culloden and could not use his real name.

Water Analysis.

The State bacteriologist writes City Physician, Dr. J. Vance McGougan, the following:

The analysis of the sample collected from your public water supply, and sent me by express Sept. 14th, has been completed. The quantitative examination gave 220 bacteria to the cubic centimeter. The qualitative tests revealed no suspicious organisms. This sample indicates a safe drinking water.

Yours very truly,
W. T. PATE.

Of course this does not include Fayetteville's other water supply from Fountain Head, the purity of which has been established by an eighty years use.

Died Under Peculiar Circumstances.

Mr. H. L. Cook returned from Greenville, N. C., Wednesday, where he has been on professional business in the settlement of the estate of the late F. S. Maultsby. Mr. W. S. Maultsby qualified as administrator of the estate, and is now engaged in the disposal of the assets as required by law.

Mr. Cook says that Drs. O'Hagin and Laughinghouse, the physicians in attendance upon the deceased, say that he died from the effects of a narcotic. As to who administered the poison, or whether it was through an error or by design, is shrouded in mystery.

Mr. Cook says Mr. Maultsby was very popular in Greenville and seemed not to have an enemy, and some ulterior purpose must be looked for. Messrs. W. S. and J. S. Maultsby, brothers of the deceased, are investigating the matter and hope to unravel the mystery.

The Silk Mills.

Before leaving for New Jersey last week Mr. Dwight Ashley, senior member of the great silk manufacturing firm of Ashley, Bailey & Co., gave the OBSERVER reporter the following statement:

Fayetteville, October 25th.

Dear Mr. Editor:—

In reply to your inquiry as to the outlook for the success of our mill here will say: The writer has no encouraging opinion to express at present in relation to the silk mill and its progress. I do not think any definite opinion can be given for three months, yet I am pleased with the mill and its equipment. I am glad to meet the many gentlemen and true Americans in your town, and sometimes wish this was my home, especially in the Winter. But ask me January 1st about the success of the mill, and I may say: well, call July 1st, 1900, and I can tell you better, as by that time I can form some opinion if a silk mill can be made a success in the South.

Respectfully,
D. ASHLEY.

A Queer Family.

About every day a queer procession is seen coming up Gillespie street. The central figure is a little sand-hill steer, not much larger than a goat, hitched to a dilapidated miniature cart, on which is piled a few sticks of black jack. Following in the wake of the little bull yearling, which crawls along unguided with his load, is a tall, raw-boned, sallow-complected white man, his wife and five children, all as yellow as pumpkins and as solemn as owls. Thus they come to town almost every day, dispose of the wood for 15 or 20 cents and take their departure as they had come.

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Promises to be a Great Success.

It is now apparent that the Cumberland County Fair to be held here on the 8th, 9th and 10th of November will be the most successful for years. The farmers—and farmers make a fair—are in better spirits this season than for years, and from what we can learn, are coming from all parts of this and adjoining counties, and many of the more substantial ones will have exhibits of their best labors. The town people are also taking an unusual interest in the fair, as is shown by the special premiums offered by the merchants and the preparations for fair amusements, such as tournaments, dances, etc., being made by the young men.

Let everybody pull together, farmers, merchants, ladies and all, and make the coming fair the greatest ever held.

The following communication from Mr. G. W. Lawrence, the secretary of the Fair Association, is to the point:

SOMETHING ABOUT FAIRS.

EDITOR OF OBSERVER:—The Cumberland County Agricultural Society was organized and held fairs before the war between the States. Then we held Agricultural Fairs annually with fine exhibits of the products of the farms and the handiwork of the farmers' wives and daughters and other ladies—strictly moral and instructive fairs. Racing then, as now, was a leading feature in all fairs, but there has gradually been added, from year to year, side shows—some of them good and decently managed and some very bad, immoral and indecent; gambling in a "mild" form outwardly but in secret the very worst kind, the gamblers, when they failed to dupe a sufficient number of victims, resorting to picking pockets.

I have been connected with the management of our county fair for thirty years, and for the last ten years as its Secretary. It was a part of my duty to visit the State Fair every year for the purpose of getting the side shows and other amusements to come to our fair for several years. These amusement enterprises have united in a combination or league under the management of one man, who was authorized by all, including the fakers and gamblers, to make contracts to buy privileges at fairs at so much per foot space, so that I could not go among them and select the best and reject those that were not wanted. I must take all or none and was therefore forced to take all, good and bad together, or have no amusements from a distance at our fairs.

When I arrived on the fair grounds of the State Fair this year I noticed with much pleasure the absence of this objectionable feature at former fairs—no gambling, no fakirs, no pickpockets, no immoral or indecent sideshows, but a few, good, decent shows. These I have secured for our fair.

A few good men connected with the management of the State Fair *determined* to get rid of these objectionable characters, and they succeeded, although they met with very strong objection from some of the buisiness men of Raleigh, who argued that by keeping out such games of chance that it would break up the fair. Now, Mr. Editor, my own individual and honest opinion is that we had better close up our gates and quit holding fairs if they *can't* succeed without the money received for privileges to let these people run their games to cheat and defraud our people and corrupt the morals of young men. It is true that our treasury will miss the amount received heretofore for these privileges, but if the true and good people of our town and county and the adjacent counties will but come to our fair and pay the entrance fee at the gate, we can promise them a good clean show and many object lessons for the instruction of the rising generation of young men and young ladies; and our fair will be a success financially, notwithstanding the howlings of a few whose depraved desires were not satisfied.

Respectfully,
G. W. LAWRENCE,
Sec'y and Treas'r C. C. A'l S'y.

Presbyterian Church—Entire Debt Easily Wiped Out.

The congregation of the Presbyterian Church was made very happy on Sunday 22nd by the announcement that the effort to cancel the debts that had been resting upon it for many years had been entirely successful.

Just four weeks before the pastor had presented the subject from the pulpit, and appealed for an earnest self-denying effort on the part of each member to rid the church of the heavy burden that has hindered and hampered its work for so long.

A definite plan of action was proposed which served the double purpose of a division of the labor involved and an infusion of incensed energy and zeal into those who had charge of the work.

The whole congregation was divided into sixteen committees, each having a leader who took the work in hand. Each were given a minimum sum to be collected as a free gift from those on the list, and was asked to hand in the report within four weeks from that date, so that the result might be publicly read on Sunday morning. These committees did splendid work, and the average for the sixteen was 55 per cent. above the minimum mark. Five of them double this sum; one trebled it, and two others very nearly trebled that amount, and when the reports were added up it was found that the response of the congregation had been so prompt and generous that after all debts are cancelled, it will leave a good surplus in the treasury for meeting other special needs.

Here is a summary of the report read from the pulpit on Sunday:

Amount collected by sixteen committees	$758.25
Amount collected by pastor	402 28
Grand total	1,160 53

It must be noted also that this was all cash; there were no pledges taken, and further that there was no resort to artificial methods, but each was asked to give as the Lord had prospered them.

"Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly, because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the Lord."

After the reading of the report, which so far surpassed the expectation of all and filled all with grateful surprise and delight, the pastor led the congregation in a prayer of thanksgiving to Almighty God for his signal blessing upon the work, and the pastor's remarks, instead of the usual sermon, were suggested by the happy outcome of these four weeks of zealous effort, and he closed with an earnest appeal for a deeper love for the church and for him who is its Head and King.

Fair Entertainments.

The arrangements for the two Fair dances, the German on Wednesday night and the Fair Ball on Friday night, have been perfected. Mr. A. S. Williams, the Chief Ball Manager, and Messrs. Jas. A. Moore and John Thomson, leaders, have written accepting their invitations and stating that they will be present. The programme being arranged, the general committees have been discharged, leaving the following young gentlemen in charge, who can be relied on to maintain the prestige of our good old town on both occasions:

Committee on Arrangements: Messrs. A. B. Williams, Jr., W. H. Haigh, Jas. S. McNeill and C. D. Elliott.

Committee on Escorts: Messrs. A. R. Williams, J. C. Gorham and Dr. D. G. MacKethan.

The Tournament Committee, of which Mr. H. M. Pemberton is Chairman, has also completed its arrangements. A large number of entries are expected, and the experienced Knights of the last two years will have to do good work to hold their laurels.

Off to Federal Court.

On the Hurt, which cleared for Wilmington last Friday, were Capt. E. P. Powers, United States Commissioner, A. D. Morrisey, United States Deputy Marshal, and Geo. Benoy, a deputy with the following prisoners on their way to the Federal court in Wilmington: John Porter, James White, A. J. Johnson, Chas. Moore, J. G. Lewis and Alex. McLaurin. There were also a number of witnesses, all colored, going to testify in the same court.

The last named prisoner, Alex. McLaurin, will probably be set at liberty, in recognition of his valuable services in reporting the recent desperate plan of the prisoners to escape. At least the officers will make a big effort to have him so rewarded, and it should be done.

Graded School Report.

To the Board of Trustees Fayetteville Graded School:

GENTLEMEN:—I beg leave to submit for consideration by you the following report of Fayetteville Graded School for the first month ending Oct. 13th, 1899:

Number boys enrolled	148
Number girls enrolled	144
Total enrollment	292
Number boys left school	4
Number girls left school	3
Total number pupils left school	7
Number on roll at the close month	285
Average daily attendance	250
Per cent. of attendance	92

ROLL OF HONOR.

Boys—Henry Cook, Willie Bell, Aaron Folb, Raymond Maultsby, Walter Strickland, Wallace Prior, Da Costa Highsmith, Albert Prior, Willie Adams, John Hall, George Myrover, Walter Cook, Claude Overby, Charles Broadfoot, Sebastian Maultsby, Egbert Moore, Joe McKethan, Willie Broadfoot Eddie Ahearn, Louis Fitzell Richard Fitzell, Charles Goddard, Henry Lamb, Robert Lamb, James Maultsby, Claude Rankin, Walter Hall.

Girls—Lillie Johnson, Lena Amos, Katie Lee Bell, Mary Helen Sheetz, Annie Highsmith, Sadie Wall, Ellen Lamb, Rilla Ward, Mattie Bell Johnson, Cecil Smith, Nannie Campbell, Virginia Bidgood, Mamie Highsmith, Emmie Black, Myrtle Folb, Ellen Hall, Bessie Newberry, Adah Strickland, Florence Tomlias, Clara Fizell, Margaret Lamb, Kate Sinclair, Effie Sinclair, Marie Thornton, Hattie Owen, Edna Sedberry, Allie Johnson, Janie Maultsby, Eeanor Huske, Vara Borden, Alice Kennedy, Geneva Kennedy, Della Murchison, Bessie Smith, Hattie Lee Atkinson, Stella Bell, Mary Black Janie Black, Louise Huske, Minnie Johnson, Mollie Johnson, Jean Pemberton, Annie Sedberry, Lida White, Charlotte Holland, Eunice Nimocks.

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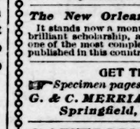

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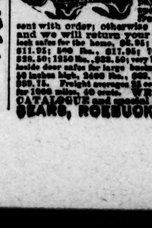

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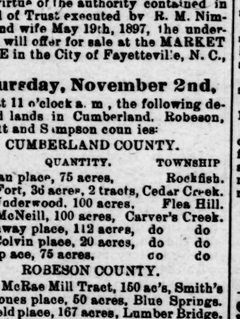

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